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REVISED POLICY FOR CONTAINER TRAFFIC
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have formulated a revised policy for movement of container traffic;

(b) if so, the salient features thereof; and

(c) the time by which the said policy is likely to be implemented?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) to (c): Keeping in view the globalization of Indian Economy and spurt in imports and exports of container traffic, a new policy to permit various operators other than Container Corporation of India (CONCOR) to move container trains on Indian Railways was announced in January, 2006. The aim of the policy is to get more connectivity in hinterland by development of Inland Container Depots and more investment for rolling stock. It will improve the quality of service to container customers and help increase rail share of container traffic.